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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR BUILDING COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING NETWORKS VIA COMPUTER COST SUBSIDIZATION

Assignee Name:

International Business Machines Corporation

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Enclosed are also:

 \underline{X} \mathbf{Z} Pages of Specification including an Abstract

X Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 27)
X 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings (Information

 \underline{X} A Declaration and Power of Attorney

X Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

CLAIMS AS FILED

FOR	Number Filed		Numbe Extra	r	Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	27	-20 =	7	X	\$ 18	=	\$126
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